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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device, comprising:
- a plurality of light sources <u>each configured to emit</u> <u>emitting</u> different colors of light <u>having different light emission angular distribution</u>; and

a light guide plate <u>configured to receive receiving the different colors of light having</u>
the <u>different light emission angular distribution</u> from the plurality of light sources at a side
face <u>and</u> to distribute the light over a surface thereof[[;]]

wherein a light emission angle differs among the plurality of light sources.

- 2. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 1, comprising a refractor mounted on an emission surface of each of the plurality of light sources for changing a direction of light, the refractor having , each of the refractors being configured with a different shape for the different light sources and providing the different angular distribution for the different light sources.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 1, wherein [[a]] the light emission angular distribution angle of a light source of the plurality of light sources emitting longer wavelength light is smaller than [[a]] the light emission angle angular distribution of a light source of the plurality of light sources emitting shorter wavelength light.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A planar light source according to Claim 1, wherein the plurality of light sources are include red, green, and blue light emitting diodes.

- 5. (Original) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:
- a planar light source device according to Claim 1; and
- a liquid crystal panel placed above an emission surface of the planar light source, the liquid crystal panel having two substrates with a liquid crystal layer interposed therebetween.
- 6. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to Claim 5, wherein the different light sources have different light emission angles in order that wavelength dependence of transmittance at a viewing direction in the liquid crystal panel is canceled out by wavelength dependence of luminance at the viewing direction in the planar light source device.
 - 7. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device, comprising:
 - a plurality of light sources emitting different colors of light;
- a light guide plate receiving light from the plurality of light sources at <u>a</u> side face to distribute the light over a surface thereof; and
- a refractor refracting light from the plurality of light sources with different refraction angles for different colors
- a plurality of refractors, each of the refractors being configured to refract light from each of the plurality of light sources, wherein:
- a shape of each of the refractors is different for each color of the plurality of light sources; and
- a refraction angle of each of the refractors is different for each color of the plurality of light sources.
 - 8. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 7, wherein:

each of the refractor refractors is formed on a side face of the light guide plate facing the plurality of light sources [[,]]

the refractor having a different shape for the different light sources.

9. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 7, further comprising a prism plate mounted between the plurality of light sources and the light guide plate, wherein:

each of the refractor refractors is formed on a side face of the prism plate facing the plurality of light sources [[,]]

the refractor having a different shape for the different light sources.

- 10. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 7, wherein a refraction angle of the light source with longer wavelength light is smaller than a refraction angle of the light source with shorter wavelength light.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A planar light source device according to Claim 7, wherein the plurality of light sources are include red, green, and blue light emitting diodes.
 - 12. (Original) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:
 - a planar light source device according to Claim 7; and
- a liquid crystal panel placed above an emission surface of the planar light source, the liquid crystal panel having two substrates with a liquid crystal layer interposed therebetween.
- 13. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to Claim 12, wherein the different refraction angles for different colors of light are provided in order that wavelength

dependence of transmittance at a viewing direction in the liquid crystal panel is canceled out by wavelength dependence of luminance at the viewing direction in the planar light source device.

14. (Canceled)

- 15. (Currently Amended) The liquid crystal display device according to Claim [[14]] 18, wherein the hologram is placed between the light source and the light guide plate.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The liquid crystal display device according to Claim [[14]] 18, wherein the hologram is placed above an emission surface of the light guide plate.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The liquid crystal display device according to Claim [[14]]

 18, wherein the hologram diffracts longer wavelength light at an angle while and diffracts shorter wavelength light at a larger angle than the angle of the longer wavelength light.
 - 18. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a planar light source device according to Claim 14 comprising a light source; a light guide plate configured to receive light from the light source at a side face to distribute the light over a surface thereof, and a hologram configured to diffract different wavelengths of light to have different angular distributions; and

a liquid crystal panel placed above an emission surface of the planar light source, the liquid crystal panel having two substrates with a liquid crystal layer interposed therebetween, wherein the hologram is arranged in order that wavelength dependence of

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transmittance at a viewing direction in the liquid crystal panel is canceled out by wavelength dependence of luminance at the viewing direction in the planar light source device.

19. (Canceled)